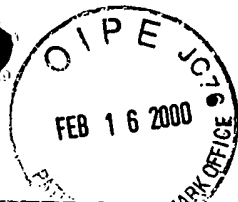


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**PETITION FOR AN ADDITIONAL ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that an additional one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the Office Action mailed September 2, 1999, said period of response being extended from February 2, 1999 to March 2, 2000.

Our check in the amount of \$490.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee.  
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